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Writes Concerning Status of Territorial Bills in Congress.

Washington, D. C., March 2, 1906.—DAILY CHIEFTAIN:—The people of the whole Indian Territory and especially the people of the Cherokee Nation being intensely interested in the present Curtis bill, I am pleased to comply with your request for a resume of the present status and future prospects.

The provisions of the bill as it passed the house in January are well known.

When the same finally passed the senate this afternoon about five o'clock it would be difficult to recognize its original form. The senate radically amended by cutting out or adding to every section of this bill save one. Independent of this bill a joint resolution of the senate and house has within forty-eight hours been adopted and probably signed by the executive, continuing tribal "existence" for one year from March 4th, 1906. Radical changes were made in a number of sections applying more particularly to the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations.

The senate committee added a clause providing for the sale of Choctaw coal lands to the amount of 480,000 acres approximately under the joint direction of the President and secretary of the interior.

This is the clause which has been lately commented upon by the press as a job.

Robert M. LaFollette, junior senator from Wisconsin, attacked the committee amendment and attempted to amend the same by another amendment, which marks a departure in American legislation and which has created a great sensation at Washington and brought into the front rank of legislators this already noted man. He proposed a provision that no railroad company nor any officer, agent or stockholder of any railroad company or any other common carrier should be permitted to acquire any interest, right or title in any such lands at said sale.

The amendment elicited a most remarkable debate and developed a tremendous interest, which finally resulted in the proposal, to sell said lands, being stricken out of the bill entirely.

Senator McCumber, of North Dakota, then carried an amendment to the section removing restrictions upon alienation of allotments, so as to make the alienation by fullbloods impossible for twenty-five years.

Teller, of Colorado, proposed such changes in all other sections as would place practically the whole bill in conference where the same had not already been changed by the senate committee. So the whole bill is subject to the conference, which will no doubt be held soon. There will, no doubt, be many changes and alterations in the conference.

The two clauses most important to Cherokees are the one pertaining to the removal of restrictions and the third section of the bill, which, if passed, in conference and finally enacted into law, will prevent the enrollment of some 2,500 to 3,000 Cherokee freedmen, whose applications are now on file and many of whom would otherwise have certainly been enrolled unless of course, congress repeals the said clause at some subsequent session before said roll is finally closed.

There will no doubt be a senate committee appointed to investigate conditions and affairs in the Indian Territory during the present vacation.

The proposition of certain senators to postpone action on this bill until the next session of congress is being stubbornly opposed by all persons from the territory now in Washington, in so far as same applies to removal of restrictions. I am Yours Truly, C. B. ROGERS.

The Groom Returns to Duty.

Washington, Mar. 5.—Representative Nicholas Longworth returned to duty in the house today from his honeymoon trip to the south.

Alaska Gets a Delegate.

Washington, Mar. 5.—The house today passed the senate bill providing for a delegate in congress from Alaska.

FOR SURVEY OF GREENLAND

Danish Explorer Will Try to Make a Reliable Map of Outlines of the Island.

Greenland is the largest island in the world, but we do not know exactly how much it exceeds New Guinea in area. There is a long stretch of its northeast coast that has not yet been surveyed. The money has been raised to complete this survey. About the middle of June next the Danish explorer Mylius Erichsen will lead a party to that region to complete our knowledge of the periphery of Greenland.

Erichsen is well known for the good work he has done in West Greenland and the important undertaking now confided to him is believed to be in excellent hands. The expedition will be gone two years and it is the intention to make a thoroughly good survey.

The party will sail on the steamer Denmark with a fine equipment and 21 persons in the crew and scientific staff, which will include a geologist, biologist, botanist, physician and artist, for it is intended to paint some of the scenes along the coast. Seventy sledge dogs and some motor-boats for penetrating the fjords if the ice conditions will permit are a part of the equipment.

The leader's first plan was to ascend the west coast, obtain a party of the Smith sound natives and cross the inland ice with them to the unknown coast. But when Peary went north a few months ago he secured all the best men among the natives for his north polar expedition and so Erichsen has decided to take his vessel straight to the east coast. He is certain to find a good harbor in about latitude 75, in the region explored by the Koldewey expedition, and here the party will spend next winter.

In March, 1907, a party of 12 men with sledges and dogs will start for the extreme north, mapping the unknown coast as they advance. They expect to complete the survey to Independence bay, thus joining their delineation of the coast with Peary's mapping of Independence bay and the islands to the north of Greenland. It is hoped that the party will be able to return to the ship late in the summer.

It will be too late, however, to return home that year and so Erichsen proposes to supplement the coast survey with studies of the interior ice cap, and if conditions are favorable he may even attempt to cross the island from east to west. The party will return home in 1908.

It will be remembered that the duke of Orleans last summer skirted the coast of east Greenland for about 100 miles north of the highest point hitherto reached on that coast, but the journey was a rapid one on his steamer, with no opportunity for careful survey. The most definite information he brought home was that the shores, unlike all the other coasts of Greenland seemed to be almost wholly destitute of deep indentations.

REMOVING THE DEBRIS

Associated Press

Meridian, Miss., Mar. 5.—The work of gangs of convicts, as well as thousands of citizens, in clearing away the debris of Friday's tornado continued all night. The relatives of several of the missing people fear their loved ones are still beneath the debris. Cash aid is reaching the relief committee so rapidly that the committee has already as much money as can be used and will refuse all further proffers of assistance.

OVERRULED THE MOTION

Associated Press

Washington, Mar. 5.—Justice Gould in the criminal court today overruled a motion in the case of George E. Green of Binghamton, N. Y., to instruct the jury to acquit the defendant, and the trial will accordingly proceed. Green is on trial for conspiracy in connection with the sale of supplies to the postoffice department.

JUDGES OF ELECTION

Judge Gill announces the appointment of the following judges for the city election to be held in April:

First Ward—J. F. Murphy, Joseph P. Scott, John Byrd.

Second Ward—Charles B. Rogers, E. M. Probasco, J. J. Spencer.

Third Ward—T. T. Wimer, S. B. Jackson, T. M. Buffington.

Fourth Ward—Will Frederick, Geo. Hendricks, J. M. B. Fowler.

STATEHOOD BILL READ IN SENATE

Associated Press

Washington, Mar. 5.—In the senate at 3 o'clock the statehood bill was taken up and read.

Foley's Kidney Cure makes the kidneys and bladder right. Contains nothing injurious. For sale by A. P. Owens.

BETRAYED THE CAUSE

Associated Press

St. Petersburg, Mar. 5.—The accused member of Father Gapon's labor organization who committed suicide yesterday while a scandal involving charges that he had accepted money from the government was being investigated was named Zechoff. He enjoyed a high standing among his fellow workmen, but became depressed because of the scandal. Father Gapon himself was present at yesterday's session when Zechoff killed himself.

CLARK IS ACQUITTED

Associated Press

Washington, Mar. 5.—United States Senator W. A. Clark of Montana, today won the case against him in the supreme court of the United States in which the government sought to have cancelled the patents to 11,400 acres of public lands in Montana which it was alleged the senator had secured fraudulently.

ROGERS GETS MORE TIME

New York, Mar. 5.—The decision as to whether H. H. Rogers of the Standard Oil shall be compelled to answer questions asked him by Attorney General Hadley of Missouri has been again postponed, this time until March 26. Justice Gildersleeve directed the postponement in order to await the final decision of the Missouri courts relative to similar cases.

WILL DISCUSS COAL QUESTION

Associated Press

Washington, Mar. 5.—President Gompers of the Federation of Labor has called a meeting of the executive council to be held here March 19. The matters to be discussed have not been disclosed, but the fact that President Mitchell is to be present lends color to the belief that the coal situation is to be considered.

HEALTH AND BEAUTY.

If you wish to do your hair very smartly, braid it and put it up coronet fashion. This is "the thing" for the fresh young face crowned by abundant locks.

For tender eyes make an infusion of one handful of cornflowers in a pint of hot water. Let it stand one hour strain and use either tepid or cold.

Don't cut the cuticle or any part of the flesh around the nails. Don't polish the nails too highly. They should have only a natural gloss. Don't cut the nails in points, but carefully arch.

Boiling vinegar as hot as can be borne on the gum and cavity of an aching tooth will allay the pain. Use a bit of absorbent cotton to pack the tooth cavity and apply until relief is obtained.

"Don't wash the hands oftener than necessary; dry them thoroughly after every washing. Don't wear gloves that are a size too small or that fasten too tightly. This prevents free circulation and makes the hands red.

For itching of the skin many skin doctors recommend lotions of bromide of potassium. The strength may be one part of the salt in 60 parts of water. It is not a poisonous preparation, and may be tried without fear.

Biting the finger nails may be enjoyable, but it has these drawbacks—it spoils the nails, spoils the finger tips, is apt to cause severe irritation of the stomach (by small pieces of nail being swallowed), and it is a proof of defective breeding.

Don't fold the arms. By doing so you pull the shoulders forward, flatten the chest and impair deep breathing. Folding the arms across the chest so flattens it down that it requires a conscious effort to keep the chest in what should be its natural position. As soon as you forget yourself down drops the chest.

Salt is as much of a tonic for the hair as it is for the body and a most excellent dry tonic shampoo may be made of it. A coarse quality should be sifted so that no lumps remain and then scented withorris root powdered to proportion of two ounces to a pound of salt. Sift again to mix well and then rub well into the hair up by the head. Brush with a long bristled brush.

Earache is one of the most distressing ailments of childhood. Heat, perhaps, gives as much relief as any application. The ear may be gently filled with water as hot as can be borne, poured in with a teaspoon. The child should lie with the affected ear uppermost and after a short time turn on that side and let the water run out. Sometimes a small mustard plaster behind the ear stops the pain. It should be left on only a few minutes.—Chicago Daily News.

South African Trust.

A cold-storage trust is one of the developments promised for the near future in South Africa. All the ice and cold storage plants in the "sub-continent" will be amalgamated if present plans carry.

WILL PASS

Edgar Smith Says the Curtis Bill Will Become a Law.

Edgar Smith returned last night from Washington, where he has been for several weeks as attorney for the Cherokees before the court of claims. It was only the urgent business of his Vinita clients that brought him back, as he had a very flattering offer from Philadelphia parties to remain in Washington several weeks longer for consultation on an important case.

Mr. Smith says that both the white adopted citizens case and the Cherokee claims are before the court, and there is now nothing to do but await the decision, and no one can say when that will be handed down or what it will be.

"There is, in my mind, no question about the passage in a short time of the Curtis bill," said Mr. Smith.

"In regard to statehood, however, while I do not like to seem pessimistic, I think the prospects are rather gloomy. There is a chance that the bill may pass, but it is the general feeling that the senate will adopt the Foraker amendment, causing a bitter fight in the house."

STILL SPREADING OUT.

International Bank Buys City Bank of Chelsea.

The International Bank and Trust company has completed arrangements for the purchase, which will be consummated some time this week, of the City Bank and Trust company of Chelsea. The company, which was controlled by A. S. Young, who owned most of the stock, was capitalized for \$15,000. The bank will be reorganized as a result of the sale, and the capital will be increased to \$30,000. Some thirty prominent citizens of Chelsea have subscribed for stock, and the concern will accordingly be one of the strongest financial institutions in this part of the country.

New officials will be elected as soon as the reorganization is complete, but it has not yet been decided who will be in charge of the bank.

The International, under the energetic guidance of J. W. Orr, is reaching out in several directions. Since the first of the year it has purchased the Cherokee National of this city and established the Bank of Big Cabin, besides buying the Chelsea bank. In every instance local capital has been enlisted in the purchase, and as a result the banks are all doing most excellently.

At the Federal Jail.

At the United States jail Saturday Henry Cook was received from Bartlesville on a charge of introducing and selling liquor. He was brought in by Deputy Kerr. Saturday Hugh Tittle, held to the grand jury by Commissioner Farrar on a charge of forgery, was released on a marshal's bond, and Joe Oxindine of Bartlesville, held to the grand jury on a charge of assault to kill, was released on bond.

Sunday Deputy S. J. Burns brought in from Afton, Rufus Ervin, charged with introducing liquor. He was at once released on bond.

Can't Find the List.

Chicago, Mar. 5.—A call was made today in the packers case upon District Attorney Morrison for a list of 200 witnesses turned over to the department of justice by Commissioner Garfield. Morrison said he had been unable to find the list. The attorneys for the packers protested that there had been plenty of time to find the list and that unless the names are produced soon the purpose of their use will be defeated. The district attorney said he would continue the search.

Russian Elections Ordered.

St. Petersburg, Mar. 5.—An imperial ukase issued today orders elections to the national assembly to begin April 8 in 25 provinces of Central Russia, April 27 in 17 other provinces of Central Russia and the Don regions and in 170 other provinces May 2.

EACH DAY ADDS TO OUR ALREADY LARGE SPRING LINES

Notions and Novelties

The 12 and 16-button Elbow Length Gloves, in both silk and kid.

Canvas Oxfords in white and colors.

Belts of gilt, silver, undressed kid, canvas and grain leathers.

Shopping bags and Purses in new designs.

Back Combs of all descriptions.

Our Millinery Department

Bags to announce the arrival of its Spring line of Millinery.

Silk Petticoats

of guaranteed Taffeta, in blacks, greens, grays, blues and the changeable effects, retailing at from.....\$5 to \$10

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in blacks and colors at from.....\$1 to \$3.50

Dress Goods Department

Commands the admiration of every lady who delights in beautiful Silks, Suitings, White Goods, etc.

The Sanders - Wright Mercantile Company

Vinita's Big Department Store

Queen Quality Shoes for Women and Walk-Over Shoes for Men are Better.